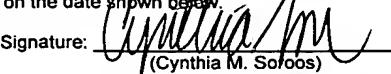


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Docket No.: AVZ-001CPUSCN
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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Re Patent Application of:
Rima Kaddurah-Daouk *et al.*

Application No.: 10/718846

Confirmation No.: 1479

Filed: November 21, 2003

Art Unit: 1639

For: USE OF CREATINE OR CREATINE
ANALOGS FOR THE TREATMENT OF
DISEASES OF THE NERVOUS SYSTEM

Examiner: B.M. Celsa

RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

MS Amendment
Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

This is in response to the Restriction Requirement mailed from the United States Patent and Trademark Office on February 2, 2005 for the above-identified patent application. The requisite extension of time is filed concurrently herewith.

Response to Restriction Requirement Under 35 U.S.C. §121

The Examiner has required restriction between the following inventions under 35 U.S.C. §121:

- Group I: Claims 1-2 and 7-8, drawn to treating amyotrophic lateral sclerosis, classified in class 514, subclass 565.
- Group II: Claims 3-4 and 9-10, drawn to treating Parkinson's disease, classified in class 514, subclass 565.
- Group III: Claims 5-6 and 11-12, drawn to treating Huntington's disease, classified in class 514, subclass 565.

Applicants hereby elect Group I, drawn to treating amyotrophic lateral sclerosis, without traverse.

Response to Species Election

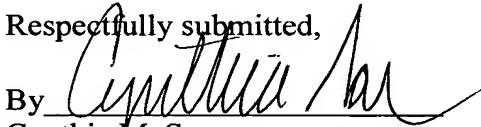
The Examiner has required Applicants to elect, under 35 U.S.C §121, a single disclosed species for prosecution on the merits. Applicants elect creatine.

It is Applicants' understanding that the species election is for searching purposes only, and upon a finding of allowability of the elected species, the remaining species will be searched.

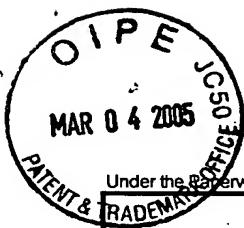
Applicants believe no fee is due with this statement. However, if a fee is due, please charge our Deposit Account No. 12-0080, under Order No. AVZ-001CPUSCN from which the undersigned is authorized to draw.

It is respectfully submitted that this application is in condition for allowance. If there are any remaining issues or the Examiner believes that a telephone conversation with Applicants' Attorney would be helpful in expediting prosecution of this application, the Examiner is invited to call the undersigned at (617) 227-7400.

Dated: March 4, 2005

Respectfully submitted,
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SIGNATURE OF APPLICANT, ATTORNEY, OR AGENT

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FEE TRANSMITTAL

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 Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27

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FEE CALCULATION

1. BASIC FILING, SEARCH, AND EXAMINATION FEES

Application Type	FILING FEES		SEARCH FEES		EXAMINATION FEES		Fees Paid (\$)
	Fee (\$)	Small Entity	Fee (\$)	Small Entity	Fee (\$)	Small Entity	
Utility	300	150	500	250	200	100	
Design	200	100	100	50	130	65	
Plant	200	100	300	150	160	80	
Reissue	300	150	500	250	600	300	
Provisional	200	100	0	0	0	0	

2. EXCESS CLAIM FEES

Fee Description

Each claim over 20 (including Reissues)

Fee (\$)	Small Entity
50	25

Each independent claim over 3 (including Reissues)

200	100
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Multiple dependent claims

360	180
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Total Claims	Extra Claims	Fee (\$)	Fee Paid (\$)

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3. APPLICATION SIZE FEE

If the specification and drawings exceed 100 sheets of paper (excluding electronically filed sequence or computer listings under 37 CFR 1.52(e)), the application size fee due is \$250 (\$125 for small entity) for each additional 50 sheets or fraction thereof. See 35 U.S.C. 41(a)(1)(G) and 37 CFR 1.16(s).

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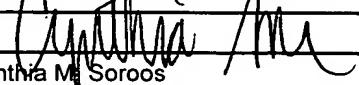
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Non-English Specification, \$130 fee (no small entity discount)

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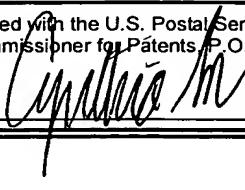
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